



RESOLUTION R-019-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WALKER COUNTY TO REVISE THE PUBLIC SAFETY FEE ASSESSED IN THE COUNTY FIRE AND RESCUE DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Walker County (“Board”) is the governing authority of Walker County, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, on September 20, 1994, Walker County established the County Fire and Rescue District (“District”) to provide public safety services, including but not limited to firefighting, emergency management, rescue and first responder services; and

WHEREAS, Section 30-87(c) of the Code of Walker County established the cost of providing services in said District shall be paid by a special assessment (“Public Safety Fee”) levied and collected within the District at the same time and in the same manner as ad valorem taxes for real and personal property; and

WHEREAS, Section 30-88(d) of the Code of Walker County established the Board has the authority to establish a fee schedule for the Public Safety Fee yearly, as part of the Board’s fiscal year budget; and

WHEREAS, the current Public Safety Fee took effect with the Fiscal 2018 budget;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Walker County, Georgia that effective with the County’s Fiscal 2024 calendar year, the cost of providing public safety services under the Public Safety Fee in the County Fire and Rescue District shall be set forth in “Exhibit A” attached hereto and made a part thereof.

SO RESOLVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of April, 2023.
13th

ATTEST:

WALKER COUNTY, GEORGIA

Whitney Summey

Whitney Summey, Deputy Clerk

Shannon K. Whitfield

SHANNON K. WHITFIELD, Chairman



The foregoing Resolution received a motion for passage from Commissioner Blakemore, second by Commissioner Stutz, and upon the question the vote is 4 ayes, 0 nays to adopt the Resolution.

Walker County Public Safety Fee Schedule 2023

Single Family Dwellings (Residential Houses and Mobile Homes)

- 14 cents per square foot.
- Minimum fee of \$125.00 per house and/or mobile home.
- Maximum fee of \$600.00 per house and/or mobile home.

NOTE

*A public safety fee will be billed for each house and/or mobile home on a parcel.

Multi-Family Dwellings (duplexes and triplexes)

- 14 cents per square foot.
- Minimum fee of \$125.00
- Maximum fee of \$600.00

NOTE

* Multi-family dwellings will be billed for the square footage per building.

Agricultural

- 14 cents per square foot.
- Minimum fee of \$125.00
- Maximum fee of \$600.00

NOTE

*A public safety fee will be billed for each house and/or mobile home on a parcel zoned agricultural.

Auxiliary Building

*A parcel with no house or mobile home but has a barn, stable, quonset building, milking house/parlor, or poultry house will be billed for the square footage of the building or buildings.

*A parcel that has a house or mobile home and an additional barn, stable, quonset building, milking house/parlor, or poultry house will be charged for the combined square footage of the house or mobile home and the additional buildings not to exceed \$600.

*A parcel that has multiple houses and/or mobile homes and an additional barn, stable, quonset building, milking house/parlor, or poultry house will be charged for a combined square footage of one house or mobile home and the additional building to the maximum of \$600. Each additional house or mobile home on the parcel will be charged separately.

Commercial

- 14 cents per square foot.
- Minimum fee of \$500.00
- Maximum fee of \$2,500.00

NOTE

* Apartments, townhomes, and quadplexes are commercial properties

Industrial

- 14 cents per square foot.
- Minimum fee of \$1,750.00
- Maximum fee of \$20,000.00

No Value

- Any structure that is assessed at no value will be charged a public safety fee based on square footage.
- Any parcel participating in a PILOT or abatement agreement will be charged a public safety fee based on square footage (Walker County Government will manually bill said parcels).